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In re Application of : OFFICE OF PETITIONS

Joan M. MONCK et al : DECISION ON PETITION

Filed: July 24, 2003 : UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)
Attorney Docket No. 0109-4 :

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed June 20, 2005, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The application became abandoned for failure to timely submit the issue and publication fees in a timely manner in reply to the Notice of Allowance mailed March 1, 2005, which set a statutory period for reply of three (3) months. Accordingly, the above-identified application became abandoned on June 2, 2005.

The petition satisfies the conditions for revival pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.137(b) in that (1) the reply in the form of payment of the issue and publication fees; (2) the petition fee of \$750; and (3) an adequate statement of unintentional delay have been received. Accordingly, the issue and publication fees are accepted as having been unintentionally delayed.

37 CFR 1.137(b)(3) requires a statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional. Since the statement contained in the petition varies from the language required by 37 CFR 1.137(b)(3), the statement contained in the petition is being construed as the statement required by 37 CFR 1.137(b)(3). Petitioner must notify the Office if this is not a correct interpretation of the statement contained in the petition.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Amelia Au at (571) 272-7414.

The application file is being referred to the Office of Patent Publication.

Lead Petitions Examiner

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